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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080

Tatsuhiko SUZUKI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4914

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For: NICKEL-HYDRIDE BATTERY LIFE DETERMINING METHOD AND LIFE

DETERMINING APPARATUS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of October 16, 2007 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Species I (Fig. 2), and identify claims 1 and 4-8 as reading thereon, for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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